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**Statement by HHS Chairman Schenck Regarding  
Additional States Joining the Florida Lawsuit Against Federal Health Care Law**

**Tallahassee, Fla.** – Representative Robert Schenck (R-Springhill), Chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee, today released the following statement regarding a motion to add six additional states to the lawsuit against the federal health care law.

“I applaud Attorney General Bondi, as well as former Attorney General McCollum for spearheading this legal action against the federal takeover of our state’s health care system, and commend the six additional states now included in the lawsuit.

“Because of the federal law, States face an unprecedented burden on their Medicaid programs with less flexibility to manage them. The Florida lawsuit is the only case challenging these Medicaid mandates and now the majority of states in the country have joined us in fighting them.

“The urgent need to reform Florida’s Medicaid program is now even more important because of the new federal mandates. The House will propose a comprehensive reform of Medicaid to improve value both for Medicaid patients and Florida taxpayers. The Committee’s work on Medicaid reform will begin with a public workshop on January 25.”